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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Applicant: Thomas J. Nelson et al.

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Title

Examiner: Dorsey

Group Art Unit:

OLE TON INTERCONNECTING DISENGAGEABLE FLOORING SYSTEM

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

The following list represents patents which qualify under 37 C.F.R §1.97 and §1.98 in satisfying applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56.

Applicant is aware of the following references listed on the attached PTO-1449. As to JP 7-91027, this reference is cited as showing interconnected panels, but is not felt to disclose or suggest the claimed invention.

These references are, in the belief and opinion of the undersigned, a collection of the closest art of which the applicant is aware as of the date of execution of the declaration in the above-captioned application. None of these patents are felt to disclose or suggest the claimed invention.

Respectfully submitted,

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